



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Dennis D. Ferguson and James A. Proctor, Jr.

Application No.: 09/263,358 Group: 2681

Filed: March 5, 1999 Examiner: Sheila B. Smith

Confirmation No.: 1714

For: FORWARD ERROR CORRECTION ON MULTIPLEXED CDMA CHANNELS  
ENABLING HIGH PERFORMANCE CODING

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PETITION FOR EXPEDITED EXAMINATION OF PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.182, STATUS INQUIRY, AND REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED AMENDMENT OF OCTOBER 22, 2003

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Petition is being filed in the above-identified application with a petition fee set forth in § 1.17(f). Further examination is requested. This Petition, Status Inquiry and Request is responsive to a telephone conference by and between the Applicants and the Supervisory Examiner Dwayne Bost on August 30, 2006. On or about August 25, 2006 through August 29, 2006, Applicants' attorney made two phone calls to Examiner Sheila Smith and one phone call to

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Supervisory Examiner Dwayne Bost concerning Applicants' status inquiry of June 2, 2005 relating to the instant patent application.

Applicants' phone calls to the aforementioned Examiners were regarding a concern on the part of Applicants that Applicants had not received an Office Communication or Notice of Allowance in response to Applicants' Reply dated October 22, 2003 or a response to the status inquiry of June 2, 2005. The Reply was duly submitted to the Office as evidenced by a stamped copy of a post card, with the Reply enclosed herewith as Exhibit A, and the post card enclosed herewith as Exhibit D that was received by the Applicants on or about October 27, 2003. A copy of the faxed status inquiry is also enclosed herewith as Exhibit B.

By way of background with regard to the phone calls made in 2006, Examiner Sheila Smith did not respond to Applicants' phone communication of August, 2006 so accordingly Applicants contacted the Supervisory Examiner listed on the last received Office communication. Thereafter, on August 30, 2006, Supervisory Examiner Dwayne Bost timely returned the phone call to the Applicants. Supervisory Examiner Bost informed the Applicants that he was no longer the Supervisory Examiner on the application. The Supervisory Examiner further indicated that Applicants should contact the Office of Petitions concerning any further status inquiries.

Applicants note that no Office Action, Notice of Allowance, Notice of Abandonment, or other responsive communication have been received from the Office in response to the October 22, 2003 Reply or are listed on the USPTO Image File Wrapper. Applicants further cited references in a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (hereinafter "SIDS") on February 17, 2004, and, February 17, 2006. The SIDSs were accepted by the Office. Applicants further note that the patent application is listed as "pending" on the USPTO Image File Wrapper, based on Applicants understanding of the status of the patent application, which indicates "Non Final Action Mailed" with a status date March 21, 2003.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Office conduct (1) a status inquiry into the current status of the application, (2) an expedited examination of the application and/or (3) consider the previously filed Reply dated October 22, 2003. The Reply was filed on October 22, 2003 via first class mail with a Certificate of Mailing and is attached as Exhibit A with a Petition for an Extension of Time, Supplementary Information Disclosure Statement, and related transmittals.

Applicants also note that on October 22, 2003, Applicants requested a change of the attorney docket number which is also attached as Exhibit C. Applicants further note that on page 1 of the transmittal for the Reply, the transmittal includes a typographical error and lists the serial number incorrectly as “09/263,368” instead of “09/263,358”. Emphasis added.

Applicants state that this typographical error was done unintentionally. Applicants also state that the remainder of the Reply identifies the correct serial number.

A postcard filing receipt was stamped by the Office on October 27, 2003 evidencing receipt of the Reply by the Office. A copy of the postcard filing receipt is also enclosed herewith as Exhibit D. Applicants further enclose a copy of the check no. 51076 in the amount of six hundred dollars submitted with the Reply that was cashed by the Office, further evidencing receipt of the Reply by the Office. The cashed check is attached as Exhibit E. Applicants further enclose numerous status inquiries as Exhibit F associated with Applicants’ diligence in attempting to have the Reply considered.

In consideration of the above statements, it is respectfully requested that the Reply be entered into the record, the examination of the instant patent applicant be considered as expedited, and the patent term be adjusted accordingly.

Applicants' Attorney believes that the Office's delay in responding to the Reply filed on October 22, 2003 is a result of an internal error at the Office, and not on the part of the Applicants. Applicants' Attorney respectfully submits that a Petition fee of \$400.00 under § 1.17(f) is due in this matter. However, if the Applicants' Attorney is in error, please charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for any fees that may be due in this matter. One additional copy of this petition is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Reply to the Office Action dated May 22, 2003 for one month from September 22, 2003 to October 22, 2003.

	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Other than Small Entity</u>
1 month -	\$ 55	
2 months -	\$ 210	\$ 110
3 months -	\$ 475	X \$ 420
4 months -	\$ 740	\$ 950
5 months -	\$1,005	\$1,480 \$2,010

A check is enclosed in the amount of the extension fee indicated above, or the extension fee has been included in the check with the accompanying Reply.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 in the amount of \$[ ] to cover the cost of the extension fee.

Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 08-0380. A copy of this letter is enclosed for accounting purposes.

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PATENT APPLICATION  
DOCKET NO. 2479.1027-000  
(formerly TAN98-24)

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Reply for filing in the above-identified application.

[ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.

[ ] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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INDEP	2	MINUS	** 3	0

FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM

\* not fewer than 20  
\*\* not fewer than 3

SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X \$ 9	\$
X \$43	\$
+ \$145	\$

OR

OTHER THAN  
SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X \$18	\$ 0
X \$86	\$ 0
+ \$290	\$

TOTAL = \$ 0TOTAL = \$ 0

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	Information Disclosure Statement	\$ <u>180</u>
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		\$ _____
		TOTAL: \$ <u>600</u>

A general authorization is hereby granted to charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 in order to maintain pendency of this application. A copy of this authorization is enclosed for accounting purposes.

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REPLY

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Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 22, 2003 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Reply.

A Request for Change of Docket Number and Corrected Filing Receipt is also being filed concurrently with this Reply.

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 are pending in the application. Claims 1-12 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-19 of U.S. Patent No. 6,236,647 to Amalfitano in view of Taipale (U.S. Patent No. 6,310,856). Claims 1-12 also stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over these same references. No amendments are being made. No new matter is being introduced.

Taipale issued October 30, 2001. No indication on the cover page of the patent shows that it was published prior to this date. Applicants believe that the Taipale reference should not be considered prior art as of the filing date, March 5, 1999, of the application at hand under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) or for purposes of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting because this reference was not available to the public prior to the date of filing. See MPEP 706.02(a), 2126, and 2128. See also *In re Ekenstam*, 256 F.2d 321, 118 USPQ 349 (CCPA 1958) (The date that the patent is made available to the public is the date it is available as a 35 U.S.C. 102(a) or (b) reference.). Since Taipale is not available as a prior art reference, a rejection combining Taipale with Amalfitano is improper. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit the double patenting rejection and the non-obviousness rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) are improper and should be withdrawn.

With regard to rejected claims 2-3, 6-9, and 11-12, Applicants note that Amalfitano does not teach everything as claimed in Claim 1. Specifically, Amalfitano does not disclose forward error correction encoding and decoding, as recited in claim 1 and stated in Parts 2 and 3 of the Office Action at hand.

Information Disclosure Statement

An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being filed concurrently herewith. Entry of the IDS is respectfully requested.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the above remarks, it is believed that all pending claims (Claims 1-12) are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST FOR CHANGE OF DOCKET NUMBER  
AND CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Customer Correction Office  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant's attorney requests that the docket number of record for the above-referenced case be changed from TAN98-24 to 2479.1027-000. This request is made to better identify this application within our offices.

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Please provide a corrected Filing Receipt indicating the new attorney docket number.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for any fees that may be due in this matter.  
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:

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(First/Second submission after Final Rejection)

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under 37 CFR 1.97(j):  
Applicant requests that the IDS and cited reference(s) be placed in the application filewrapper.  
(Filed after payment of issue fee)

Statement Under 37 CFR 1.97(e)

- Each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement; or
- No item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned, after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Statement Under 37 CFR 1.704(d) (Patent Term Adjustment)

Applies to original applications (other than design) filed on or after May 29, 2000

- Each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application and this communication was not received by any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than thirty days prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

Enclosed herewith is form PTO-1449:

Copies of the cited references are enclosed.

Since this application was filed after June 30, 2003, copies of issued U.S. patents and published U.S. applications are not required and are not being provided.

Copies of the cited references are enclosed except those entered in prior application, U.S. Application No. [ ], to which priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 is claimed. [The earlier application contains copies of the cited references.]

The listed references were cited in the enclosed International Search Report in a counterpart foreign application.

The "concise explanation" requirement (non-English references) for reference(s) [ ] under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) is satisfied by:

the explanation provided on the attached sheet.

the explanation provided in the Specification.

submission of the enclosed International Search Report.

submission of the enclosed English-language version of a foreign Search Report and/or foreign Office Action.

the enclosed English language abstract.

[ ] Applicant requests that the following non-published pending applications be considered:

Examiner's  
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\_\_\_\_ U.S. Patent Application No. [ ], by [inventor(s)], filed [ ], Docket No.: [ ]

\_\_\_\_ U.S. Patent Application No. [ ], by [inventor(s)], filed [ ], Docket No.: [ ]

\_\_\_\_ U.S. Patent Application No. [ ], by [inventor(s)], filed [ ], Docket No.: [ ]

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The Examiner is requested to return a copy of the above list of pending applications indicating which references were considered with the next office communication.

It is requested that the information disclosed herein be made of record in this application.

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October 21, 2003  (Use several sheets if necessary)	FILING DATE March 5, 1999	CONFIRMATION NO. 1714
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STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a formal status inquiry for the above-referenced patent application. Applicants have received no written communication with regard to this application since receiving the Office Action dated May 22, 2003 for which a Reply was filed with 2 month extension of time on October 22, 2003.

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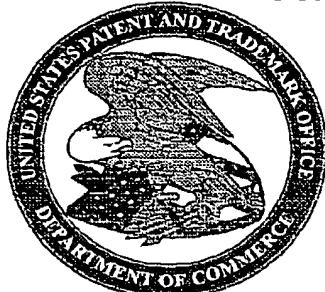
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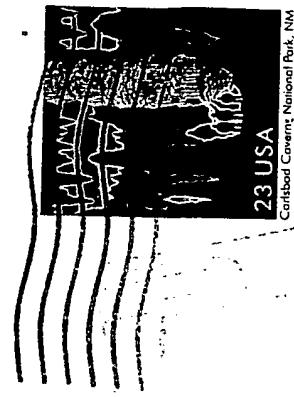
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